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The Week in Washington D.C. – May 20, 2013

Please find a listing of federal legislative activities the County and our federal advocates are monitoring during the week of May 20, 2013 below. Congress will recess next week and reconvene June 3, 2013.

House Hearings and Markups

Monday, May 20, 2013

Health Insurance Premiums Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act | 4 PM | House Committee on Energy and Commerce | Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. This hearing will examine the opinions of actuaries and health care industry professional on the impact the PPACA will have on health insurance premiums nationwide. Click [here](#) for background information and to watch the hearing live.

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

Chairman Brady Announces Hearing on the President's and Other Bipartisan Proposals to Reform Medicare | 10 AM | House Committee on Ways and Means. The hearing will review policies that modify beneficiary cost-sharing within the Medicare program. Click [here](#) for background information.

"Reviewing the President's Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Proposal for the U.S. Department of Education" | 10 AM | House Committee on Education and the Workforce | Full Committee

Legislative Hearing: *The Veterans Integrated Mental Health Care Act of 2013*
Draft Legislation, 'The Demanding Accountability for Veterans Act of 2013,' [H.R. 241](#); [H.R. 288](#); [H.R. 984](#); and [H.R. 1284](#).

Full Committee Mark Up - FY 2014 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Bill and Report on the Sub allocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2014 11 AM | Committee on Appropriations

Understanding the Cost Drivers of Passenger Rail

1 PM | House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure | Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials. Click [here](#) for background information.

The mission of the government of the County of San Bernardino is to satisfy its customers by providing service that promotes the health, safety, well being, and quality of life of its residents according to the County Charter, general laws, and the will of the people it serves.

Wednesday, May 22, 2013

Examining the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration's (SAMHSA) Role in Delivering Services to the Severely Mentally Ill | 10 AM | House Energy and Commerce Committee. This hearing is part of the Subcommittee's ongoing examination of mental health programs and resources with the aim of ensuring that Federal dollars devoted to mental health are reaching those individuals with serious mental illness and helping them to obtain the most effective care.

Full Committee Mark Up - FY 2014 Homeland Security Appropriations Bill | 10 AM | House Committee on Appropriations

The President's fiscal year 2014 Budget: Administration Priorities for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | 2 PM | House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure | Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Hearing on the President's and Other Bipartisan Entitlement Reform Proposals
9:30 AM | House Committee on Ways and Means | Subcommittee on Social Security

Oversight of California High Speed Rail | 10 AM | House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Senate Hearings

Wednesday, May 23, 2013

FY14 Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies | United States Forest Service 9:30 AM | Senate Appropriations Committee

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education Pipeline can develop a high-skilled American workforce for small business, focusing on bridging the skills gap | 10 AM | Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee

Medicare prescription drug program, focusing on 10 years later | 2 PM | Senate Committee on Aging

Examining nutrient trading and water quality | 2:30 PM | Senate Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife

Thursday, May 23, 2013

FY 2014 Department of Agriculture

10 AM | Senate Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies